

## MINUTES

### MONTANA SENATE 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

#### COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

**Call to Order:** Chair Scott Sales, on January 15, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 303  
Capitol

#### ROLL CALL

**Members Present:**

Sen. Scott Sales, Chair (R)  
Sen. Jennifer Fielder, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Robyn Driscoll (D)  
Sen. Jedediah Hinkle (R)  
Sen. Douglas (Doug) Kary (R)  
Sen. Cliff Larsen (D)  
Sen. Mary McNally (D)  
Sen. Mary Sheehy Moe (D)  
Sen. Diane Sands (D)  
Sen. Nels Swandal (R)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Kris Hansen (R)  
Sen. Chas Vincent (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Julianne Burkhardt, Legislative Branch  
Pam Schindler, Committee Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 109, 1/12/2015; SB 127, Tabled without hearing

**HEARING ON SB 109**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:01 Sen. Nels Swandal (R), SD 30, opened the hearing on SB 109, Revise laws related to asset forfeiture.

[EXHIBIT\(jus09a01\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:08:03 Larry Epstein, Montana County Attorneys Association (MCAA)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:10:09 Sen. Larsen

**Closing by Sponsor:**

00:11:46 Sen. Swandal

00:12:08 Recess

00:21:47 Reconvene

**EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SB 127**

00:22:09 **Motion/Vote:** Sen. Swandal moved that **SB 127 BE TABLED**. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Sen. Hansen and Sen. Vincent voted by proxy.

**HEARING ON SB 127**  
(Tabled without hearing)

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

Sen. Roger Webb (R), SD 23, opened the hearing on SB 127, Revise inmate welfare fund laws.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

**Opponents' Testimony:**

**Informational Testimony:**

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

**Closing by Sponsor:**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 9:28 A.M.

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Pam Schindler, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

**EXHIBIT([jus09aad.pdf](#))**